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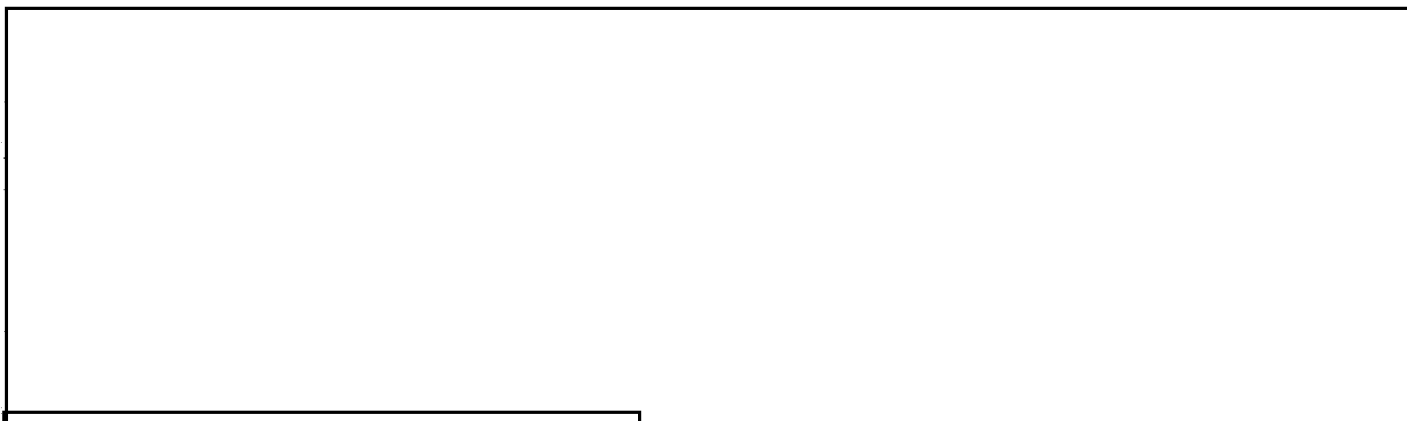
1. Mr. Ward Thompson, Public Inquiries Division, Department of State, called concerning a letter from a constituent to Senator Alan Cranston (D., Calif.) which was forwarded to the Department for reply. The letter stated that CIA should be withdrawn from South Vietnam and seriously questioned the role of the Agency. Mr. Thompson stated that the Department could furnish no substantive reply to the letter. He wanted to forward the letter directly to us. I requested that he return the letter to Senator Cranston's office and if it was subsequently referred to CIA, we would prepare the reply. I thanked him for his call.

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[Redacted] John Hays, in the office of Senator Herman E. Talmadge (D., Ga.), called to inquire about a Government certification of a trip of 30 Georgia businessmen to Red China as a business trip for income tax purposes. Hays had inquired of GAO and was informed that CIA would furnish the certification. We agreed that this was not so and he will check with the State Department and Department of Commerce as to any necessary Government certification.



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Messrs. Houston,

conferred by phone with Mr. Maurice Lanman, Assistant General Counsel (Fiscal Matters), OSD, concerning a request Lanman made to Mr. Houston for Agency views on S. 2254, a bill by Senator Case to amend the Foreign Assistance Act and the Military Procurement Act. Lanman indicated that State Department had contacted them to coordinate a response which the Department is making to Senator Fulbright on the bill. DOD foresees possible Agency problems with this bill and asked us for our views. We discussed the bill with Lanman and told him we would be in touch with him tomorrow with a more definitive position.

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